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Testimony of **SUZANNE D. CASE** Chairperson

Before the House Committee on WATER, LAND, & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

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State Capitol, Conference Room 325 In consideration of **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 10**

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KANEOHE, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING PIER, SEAWALL, AND EAVE, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON

House Concurrent Resolution (HCR) 10 requests the authorization to issue a term, non-exclusive easement covering 538 square feet, more or less, portion of state submerged lands identified as tax map key: (1) 4-5-058:121, at Kaneohe, Koolaupoko, Oahu for the use, repair, and maintenance of the existing pier, seawall, and eave constructed thereon, pursuant to Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). The Department of Land and Natural Resources ("Department") supports this Administration measure.

The current owner (grantee) of the abutting property, Martha K. Bush, worked with the Department to convert the existing pier revocable permit to a long-term easement for the pier, seawall, and eave. As required by Section 171-53, HRS, the Board of Land and Natural Resources ("Board") may lease submerged lands "with the prior approval of the Governor and the prior authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution". The Department notes that during the 2017 Legislative session HCR 78, House Draft 1 Senate Draft 1, was adopted for the pier purpose. Subsequently, on June 8, 2018, under agenda item D-8, the Board amended its prior action in December 2016 to increase the area to 538 square feet and to add "eave and seawall" as part of the character of use.

The grantee has paid the State the fair market value of the easement, in the amount of \$25,900, as determined by an independent appraisal for the use of public lands.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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